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Few men of any rank or time have ever derived so much unaffected pleasure from the theater as George III. In fact, in the words of a contemporary, it was "as good as a play to hear the royal laughter and note the genuine enjoyment of his majesty." "He is said," Thackeray wrote, "not to have cared for Shakespeare or tragedy much. Farces and pantomimes were his joy, and especially when the clown swallowed a carrot or a string of sausages he would laugh so outrageously that the lovely princess by his side would have to say, 'My gracious, monarch, do compose yourself!' And he continued to laugh and at the very smallest farces as long as his poor wits were left him."

So frequent were George's visits to the theater that "his face was the most familiar in London to players, who took no more notice of his presence than if he had been a simple citizen, except when his boisterous laughter drew attention to him and started others laughing out of irresistible infection." As familiar a spectacle as that of his majesty purple and rolling with laughter was to see him sleeping peacefully as a child between the acts.

So partial was he to actors that he permitted and even smiled at liberties which he could have resented in any one else. On one occasion, when Parsons was playing in "The Stone of Calais," the actor walked toward the box in which George was sitting and addressed him in the words of his part: "An the king were here and did not admire my scaffold I would say: 'Hang him! He has no taste,' a piece of impudence which threw his majesty into a fit of laughter.—London Tit-Bits.

PRONUNCIATION.

Read Over This Test and Then Consult Your Dictionary.

The following rather curious piece of composition was placed upon the blackboard at a certain teachers' institute and a prize of a dictionary offered to any person who could read it and pronounce every word correctly. The book was not carried off, as twelve was the lowest number of mistakes in pronunciation made:

"A sacrilegious son of Belial who has suffered from bronchitis, having exhausted his finances in order to make good the deficit, resolved to ally himself to a comely, lenient and docile young lady of the Malay or Caucasian race. He accordingly purchased a calliope and coral necklace of a chameleon hue and securing a suit of rooms at a principal hotel he engaged the head waiter as his coadjutor. He then dispatched a letter of the most unexceptional caligraphy extant, inviting the young lady to a matinee. She revolted at the idea, refused to consider herself sacrilegious to his desires and sent a polite refusal, on receiving which he procured a carbine and bowie knife, said that he would not now forge fetters hymeneal with the queen and went to an isolated spot, severed his jugular vein and discharged the contents of the carbine into his abdomen. The debris was removed by the coroner."

The mistakes in pronunciation were made on the following words: Sacrilegious, Belial, bronchitis, exhausted, finances, deficit, comely, lenient, docile, Malay, calliope, chameleon, suit, coadjutor, caligraphy, matinee, sacrilegious, carbine, hymeneal, isolated, jugular and debris.

The Triumphant Spider.

A little garter snake about five inches long went to sleep in a wheelwright shop, and a big black spider spun a web around the reptile. When the little snake awoke it was literally in the web and began to struggle. It finally managed to free its body, but not its head. Meanwhile the spider was cunningly spinning fresh threads, stopping occasionally to give the snake a bite. Then the real fight commenced and lasted for an hour. The snake could not get away, but it tried its best to bite the spider, without avail. Weakness by its futile efforts and the successive stings of the insect, it gradually ceased to struggle and finally died. Then the spider, presumably triumphant, disappeared under the wall.

The Buttered Side.

A woman who is a close observer of children was out walking in the country one day, she relates, when she saw a little girl with solemn big blue eyes sitting on a doorstep munching a huge slice of bread and butter. The only peculiarity about the operation was that she was holding the buttered side of the bread toward the ground.

"Why do you hold your bread and butter that way?" asked the lady.

"Tause," whispered the little maiden confidentially, "mamma says bread always falls butter side down, so if you hold it butter side down to start with and then drop it, why, of course, it falls butter side up."

Paired Her Back.

"Gracious, my dear," said the first society belle spitefully, "I trust you're so fat. You look so much older to-night."

"Do I, dear?" the other replied sweetly. "I feel quite well. And you—how wonderfully improved you are! You look positively young!"

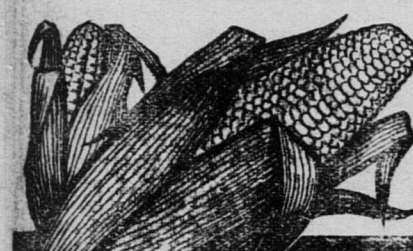
A Subtle Distinction.

"Did the critics like your performance of Hamlet?"

"The critics," answered Mr. Stormington Barnes, "liked it. But a large number of persons who assume to be critics did not."—Washington Star.

Nothing more completely baffles one who is full of trick and duplicity than straightforward and simple integrity in another.—Colton.

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FAMOUS ENGLISH WELLS.

Some Whose Waters Are Charged With Magic or Miraculous Power.

Though there are hundreds of wells supposed to possess magical powers scattered all over England, the general public is ignorant of their locality or the romantic stories connected with each one. There may be a possible exception in the well of St. Keyne, in Cornwall, for Southey has made it famous in a witty little poem. The magic of its waters is such that the husband or wife who drinks first from it after leaving the altar will have the upper hand over the mate for their joint lives. The bride of whom Southey tells us did not wait till after the marriage ceremony to pay a visit to the well, but took the precaution of taking a bottle with her to the church.

Another well, in Monmouthshire, which has a peculiar fascination for the unmarried maidens is known as the "virtuous well." For generations the maidens of that locality have accredited it with marvelous powers in forecasting their futures. They have only to drop a pebble into its water and count the resultant bubbles, for each bubble represents a month of waiting for the day which will make them brides. In order to propitiate the genius which presides over the well it is necessary to decorate the brambles which shade it with bits of white cloth.

Then there are the so called holy wells which have many medicinal virtues. Such a one is St. Winifred's, at Holywell, which is accredited with cures that are almost miraculous. The legend of its origin is a very pretty one. It is said that twelve centuries ago St. Winifred, the winsome daughter of a Welsh chief, was wooed by Prince Caradoc, a prince of ill repute. She declined his persistent advances, and at last he killed her in a fit of rage. From the spot on which St. Winifred's lifeblood fell there gushed forth a stream of crystal water which has worked miracles in her name for so many centuries.

Practically all the ills to which the flesh is heir can be cured by one or another of these wells. St. Ninan's, in Cornwall, is said to restore lunatics to sanity, but the patient must be immersed in the water and held there until the breath has nearly left his body. This seems a heroic measure. But even this is not so severe as the treatment which must be endured if a madman is to be cured at Llandegla well, in Wales, for after the victim is nearly drowned he is trussed like a fowl and held under the communion table of the neighboring church for the night.

Damages Enough.

There had been a railway collision near a Scottish country town, and an astute local attorney had hurried to the scene of disaster. Noticing an old man with a badly damaged head lying on the ground, he approached him with notebook in hand. "How about damages, my man?" he began. The injured man waved him off with the remark: "Na, na; ye'll get nae damages frae me. It wasna me that hit yer bloomin' auld train."

Why Leaves Turn Brown.

The green matter in the tissues of a leaf is composed of two colors, red and blue. When the sap ceases to flow in the autumn the natural growth of the tree is retarded, and oxidation of the tissues takes place. Under certain conditions the green of the leaf changes to red. Under different aspects it takes on a yellow or brown hue. The difference in color is due to the difference in combinations of the original constituents of the green tissues and to the varying condition of climate, exposure and soil. Maples and oaks have the brightest color.

Compromising.

Charles—She is suing her late employer's estate for \$50,000. Henry—On what ground? Charles—On the ground that on four different occasions he said to her, "We are having fine weather," with the accent on the "we"—Brooklyn Life.

A Broad Hint.

The Barber (lathering customer and gazing out of window)—I tell you, sir, the man who shaves himself keeps the bread and butter out of some poor barber's mouth. The Customer (derelict)—And incidentally the latter out of his own!—Puck.

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MARRIAGE IN MEXICO.

How the Engagement and Wedding Ceremonies Are Celebrated.

The Mexican people are hospitable to a fault, always welcoming their friends even though they have not enough to eat themselves. And they religiously visit the sick, including those who have contagious diseases. They are also addicted to public social functions, the invariable mode of entertainment being the dance. They are fond of music, though not proficient in the art of making it, probably more from lack of opportunity than from lack of capacity. The violin and guitar are the usual instruments of music, the repertoire of the local musicians being usually limited to a few tunes which are in equal demand for the dance and for the funeral.

One of the most interesting and beautiful of the social functions is the pre-dinner. When a young man wishes to marry he asks for the girl of his choice of the parents, not of the girl herself, and if she is given the pre-dinner at once follows, ushered in by shooting and demonstration of joy. The bride and bridegroom are publicly presented to their future parents-in-law, after which the company pass in procession in front of the couple, each one dropping a piece of money into the hands of the bride. Then follows the inevitable dance. This public betrothal is considered almost as binding as marriage, and I have heard of but one instance in which the compact was not kept, the recalcitrant bridegroom in that case being visited with ostracism. The betrothal is usually followed by marriage just as soon as the services of the priest can be secured. The marriage ceremony is followed by a feast more notable for the abundance of things to drink than for things to eat and by the usual dance. Indeed the festivities are often prolonged for several nights after the wedding.—Southern Workman.

Half or Two-thirds.

The bishop of Kensington at a prize distribution recently told of a case in which a boy got the better of the examiner. "Suppose," asked the examiner, "I offered you half an orange and two-thirds of an orange, which place would you take?" "Please, sir, the half!" shouted the lad. "Stupid boy!" exclaimed the examiner. "I shall put a black mark against you for that." Subsequently a deputation of scholars waited on the examiner to convince him that he was wrong. "Why am I wrong?" he inquired. "Because Tommy does not like oranges at all," was the conclusive answer.—St. James' Gazette.

Excuse Made Easy.

"Why do so many actors insist on playing Shakespeare?"

"I suspect," answered Mr. Stormington Barnes, "that it's because they can take all the credit if they succeed and blame the public's lack of literary taste if they fail."—Washington Star.

Not Up to Him.

"Yes," said the fireman, "there were two men in the building playing chess, and one of them is in the ruins yet. We couldn't get him out."

"Why, how was that?"

"He insisted that it wasn't his move."

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Alphonse Karr's Dagger.

On the wall in the study of Alphonse Karr's dwelling there used at one time to hang a dagger. Karr in one of his stories had poked a good deal of fun at a woman named Colet. Mme. Colet, enraged at being made a butt of, stabbed Karr. He on his recovery hung the dagger she had stabbed him with above his desk, with this inscription beneath it:

"Presented to Alphonse Karr—by Mme. Colet—in the back."

A Deep Sea Vampire.

An exquisite sea flower, something like an aster, grows at great depths in the ocean. It looks innocent enough, but it is charged with such a deadly poison that a small fish touching one of the beautiful petals is instantly killed, and its body is then drawn down by the waving leaves to the plant's mouth and is literally eaten.

Paternal Pride.

"When I have occasion to punish my son," said the austere man, "I always tell him that it hurts me more than it does him."

"I don't," replied the plain, practical citizen. "Johnny may be a little headstrong and disobedient, but he has too much sense to believe anything like that."—Washington Star.

Taking Out Letters.

Teacher—Tommy, what did I tell you yesterday that it was called to take out several letters? Tommy Figgjam—Abbreviate, Teacher—Then make a sentence correctly using the word "abbreviate." Tommy—I saw the letter carrier abbreviate the mail box on the corner.—Baltimore American.

The Sphinx's Riddle.

The riddle which the sphinx propounded to the Thebans and the solution of which she made a condition of her withdrawal from the state was as follows: "What animal has one voice, at first four, then two and at last three feet?" (Edipus discovered the answer to be "man," who in infancy, from using his hands as well as his feet in walking, may be said to have four feet (all fours), in after life employs but two, and in old age to these he adds a staff, which may be reckoned a third. Upon this solution being given the sphinx is said to have thrown herself headlong from the etelad.

A Good Scheme.

Husband—Why do you scold the butcher? It isn't his fault that the meat comes to the table all dried up, scold the cook. Wife—I don't dare to but I'm in hopes that if I keep on scolding the butcher he'll get mad and come around and scold the cook.—New York Weekly.

Justifiable Suspicion.

Mistress (to pretty housemaid)—By the way, Mary, should my husband ever attempt to kiss you just box his ears soundly. Maid—Shure, ma'am, he's felt the weight of me hand twice already.—Minneapolis Times.

Preparedness.

Begin the morning by saying to thyself, I shall meet the busybody, the ungrateful, arrogant, deceitful, envious and unsocial, but I, who have seen the nature of the good, that it is beautiful, and that of the bad, that it is ugly, can be injured by none of them.—Marcus Aurelius.

Conditions That Unfit For Marriage.

The low paid employee today can succeed as well alone as with a wife, which his ancestors could not do. At the same time his selfish enjoyments are greater without her, for he may live irresponsibly, without a motive to save and with all his surplus available for wayside pleasures of an antisocial sort. The disintegrating forces of a great city upon homeless youth are too obvious to need emphasis. The wage earning girl, on her part, is likely to acquire the taste of fragmentary, pointless and unproductive spending. Both form habits harmful to the altruistic motives of group living—the home idea. A man who goes from the saloon, street corner or cheap pleasure club, a girl who leaves the dance hall and pavement glitter to make a home for him, the bare necessities of which are hardly met by his wages, are not qualified by their experiences to bring to a successful issue the supreme test of character that makes stable a high standard.—Professor Simon N. Patten in Independent.

Wealth's Changes.

Wilby—There goes that beautiful Mrs. Kofure with her wealth of auburn hair. She wasn't always so rich, was she? Nash—Oh, no! I knew her when she was red headed.—Boston Transcript.

Purity of heart is that quick and sensitive delicacy to which even the conception of sin is offensive.—Chalmers.

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TEMPERATURE AND RAINFALL

This table gives the highest and lowest temperature in Jackson for each day, together with the rainfall, as recorded by self-registering instruments kept at the Ledger office.

Date.	Temp.	Rainfall.	Date.	Temp.	Rainfall.
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Feb. 1 (08)	46	80	Feb. 17 (05)	48	56 1.52
2	46	80	18	48	56 1.52
3	46	80	19	48	56 1.52
4	46	80	20	48	56 1.52
5	46	80	21	48	56 1.52
6	46	80	22	48	56 1.52
7	46	80	23	48	56 1.52
8	46	80	24	48	56 1.52
9	46	80	25	48	56 1.52
10	46	80	26	48	56 1.52
11	46	80	27	48	56 1.52
12	46	80	28	48	56 1.52
13	46	80	29	48	56 1.52
14	46	80	30	48	56 1.52
15	46	80	31	48	56 1.52
16	46	80			

Total rainfall for season to date. 23.69 inches
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LOCAL NEWS

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P. Picardo, the harness man, is below making extensive purchases for his summer trade.

Drama—"A Woman's Honor," will be presented in Love's hall March 17, for the benefit of the Catholic church.

C. D. Bates, jr., who has just been elected city treasurer of Oakland, is a nephew of John R. Tregloan of Amador City.

Geo. Lucot and Elmer Boydston are interested in the sulphurets savings plant at the Argonaut mine. The plant is something out of the usual line.

Church sale Saturday. Everybody help the church. Every thing bought of us means so much for the church. Jackson Department Store (the shoe store.)

Mrs. A. Leam, of San Francisco, is visiting Mrs. P. Lepley and family of Jackson. She came up to attend the funeral of her father, Thomas Morris, which took place in Plymouth last week.

Mrs. C. Bund, of Calaveras county, who was visiting with her mother, Mrs. Benj. Ross, of Volcano, last week, spent Friday evening with friends in Jackson, and returned to her home Saturday.

Fresh pickled olives of the season just received; 65c per gallon. Nettles' Market.

J. McCutcheon left for Woodland Sunday morning on a visit to his family, and interview his son and heir, whom he had not seen since his advent several weeks ago. He returned Thursday evening.

Saturday Sale. Don't miss our big Saturday bargains day. Jackson Department Store (the shoe store.)

A bill has passed the legislature and is now in the hands of the governor for approval, allowing T. K. Norman the sum of \$322 for his expenses incurred in the pursuit of the escaped convicts at the time of the Polson outbreak two years ago.

John Campbell, of Antelope, is under treatment at the county hospital. He went there a few days after returning from San Francisco several weeks ago. He is suffering from dropsy. Altogether he is a very sick man, confined to his bed most of the time.

Dr. O. O. Osborn, the optician, will visit Jackson again early in April. Watch these columns for date.

The windstorm of last Sunday blew down a building in course of erection by David Matthey, behind the brewery. The framework was up, but no roof was on. The wind tilted it over on its end, doing considerable damage.

Ruby Burns, granddaughter of the late A. J. Crain, died at her home in Shendadoh valley on Monday of general debility. Deceased was an estimable young lady 21 years of age, and leaves a large circle of friends to mourn her loss.

Big line of new goods at the Shoe Store.

H. E. Potter, the Plymouth merchant, has sold his entire stock and store buildings to B. Levaggi of that place. Mr. Levaggi will conduct a general merchandise business in the main building, and Mr. Potter will engage in other business for the present.

George Lucot has sold his interest in the firm of Ford and Lucot to Fred H. Cofer, and the business will hereafter be carried on under the firm name of Ford & Cofer. Both men are scientific horsehoers, and all round blacksmiths and woodworkers. By strict attention to business, promptness and moderate charges, they will no doubt command a liberal share of support.

Mrs. R. Tadich returned to Jackson Monday last, after an absence of over three months, under medical care in Stockton. She seems to have fully recovered her health in every way. The children have not been brought back yet. Those acquainted with Mrs. Tadich will be glad to hear of her restoration to health, and her return to Jackson.

Mr. Creason, the barber who has been in business in Jackson for several months, first at the National hotel parlor and afterward at the shop in the Gem saloon, sold out his interest to his partner, Gasparini, last week, and left Jackson Sunday. Gasparini moved from the Gem barber shop to a room fitted up for him in the Metropolitan saloon of J. J. Dalo, on Water street.

Sheriff Norman left Saturday morning with J. J. Harris and John Oliver in charge bound for San Quentin. The pair pleaded guilty, the one of felonious assault and the other for attempt to murder, and were awarded four years and three years in San Quentin. This cleared the calendar of all except two criminal cases, "Dr. Staples and A. Badaracco, and necessitated a readjustment of the criminal trials.

In the recorder's office the fees collected for the month of February amounted to \$93.75; for the same month the fees of the clerk's office amounted to \$39.95.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church received at the home of Mrs. Wm. Blackwell last Wednesday afternoon and a very pleasant time was reported.

Don't miss the entertainment on St. Patrick's day, March 17, for the benefit of the Catholic church. It will exceed in interest the dramatic efforts in this behalf for many years.

Mrs. Harvey Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Angove of Jackson, who has been visiting her parents for several days, returned to her home in Fresno Sunday.

Jackson and Podesta, the expert mining prospectors of Clinton, were compelled to seek shelter in Jackson for a few days owing to the heavy rains. They are always welcome visitors.

When you wish the finest flavored coffees and teas, remember that W. J. Nettles keeps only the best.

"The Power of an Idea" will be Rev. C. E. Winnings' theme next Sunday evening at the Methodist Episcopal church. Usual services at 11 a. m., and Sabbath school at 2 p. m. Welcome to this House of God are strangers and the poor.

A very reasonable rain, preceded by a windstorm, set in Sunday and continued through Sunday night. This rain came at a most opportune time. The ground was getting very dry, and the crops were beginning to suffer. The rainfall for the week has been over three inches.

At the sale of personal property belonging to the estate of A. Donet, 860 gallons of wine were sold to Alice Cignaux at 20 cents per gallon. A few gallons of Angelica wine sold for 75 cents per gallon. The brandy, 330 gallons, was not sold, although \$1.80 per gallon was offered therefor.

John Murphy, a former resident of Jackson, but now in the harness business at Chico, made a flying trip to the scene of his early days last Monday. He came to lone on business matters, and concluded to visit former acquaintances in this vicinity before returning. He went back to lone the same day.

State Senator J. B. Sanford of Ukiah, High Chief Ranger of the order of Foresters for the Pacific coast, arrived in Jackson Saturday last on an official visit to the lodges of this county. The same evening he visited Court Unity No. 7796 of Jackson. After the Court adjourned the Companions of Forest were invited in and a short program rendered, after which all partook of refreshments, served by the committee. On Monday the High Chief Ranger visited Amador City, and Tuesday he entertained his brother members at Sutter Creek. He is an interesting speaker, and this was his first visit to Amador county.

Type Setting Machine.

This week the Ledger office received from San Francisco an adjustable Simplex type setting machine. On Wednesday last Mr. Leonard, an expert in the management of such machines, came up from San Francisco for the purpose of putting it in running order. It is now in process of being set together in the Ledger office. It is a complete, as well as a simple contrivance, for setting individual types. It consists of nearly 1500 separate pieces. This week the Ledger office has been considerably upset by the work of putting the machine together. Hereafter the Ledger will be set mostly by machinery, enabling us, when fairly acquainted with the working of the machine, to give much more extended accounts of local happenings than heretofore. The machine will do three times the work of an average compositor. When in running order we invite our subscribers and friends to see the type setter in actual operation.

The Drytown Robbery.

The robbery of the safe in McWayne's store last week remains as much a mystery as ever. Nothing new has transpired in relation to the affair during the past week. A number of suspicious characters have been leaving at different points on the railroad, and a close watch has been kept upon them, but the reliable clue to the perpetrators of that crime has been discovered. The amount taken was \$800, and a pair of high-topped boots. The hole in the roof by which they gained ingress was only 8x14 inches, and from this it is believed the robbers were of small size. They also left behind a brace and bit, of old pattern, also a jimmy—a prying tool used by burglars. Another trophy was a piece of clothing, evidently torn from one of the men in forcing his way through the roof. A sharp edge was left in the boards, to which clung this sample of wearing apparel. This may prove a clue of some importance.

Petitions of Bankrupts.

The following asked to be declared bankrupt yesterday: Antone Ratto, a contractor of Jackson, Amador county, whose liabilities are \$630 and assets \$2403, and Frank Loveridge, a chorinor of Jackson, whose liabilities are \$589, assets \$55.—S. F. Chronicle, March 16.

To Cure A Cold In One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Uncalled-for Letters.

Letters remaining unclaimed in the Jackson, Cal., postoffice, for the week ending March 17, 1905:

J. Akin, J. Beraz, Vincenzo Belluomini, R. N. Cleary, N. W. Dalporto, E. W. Houck, R. Kawachi (Lissa), Miss B. L. Latta, Antonio Lubini, Silva Martoni, Carol Rancini, Miss May Baine (e), Mito M. Radonich, Alessandro Salei, Pietro Sodini, Nick Tomusich, R. C. Williams, W. R. Williams, Avazizni Carmelo

A Destructive Fire.

To draw the fire out of a burn, or heat a cut without leaving a scar, use De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. A specific for piles. Get the genuine. J. L. Tucker, editor of the Harmonizer, Centre, Ala., writes: "I have used De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve in my family for Piles, cuts and burns. It is the best salve on the market. Every family should keep it on hand." Sold by all druggists.

Has Stood the Test 25 Years. The old, original Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. You know what you are taking. It is iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure no pay. 50c.

MINING NEWS.

KEYSTONE.—The slight misunderstanding about working hours between the night shift and the company, which resulted in the refusal of a number to go to work for one shift, was speedily adjusted, and the mine is running along as smoothly as ever, all the employees being fully satisfied.

BUNKER HILL.—E. H. Harrington, the new superintendent of this mine, assumed the duties of his position last Monday. Changes will only be made in the force as they may be deemed necessary for the economical working of the property. For the present, Mr. Harrington will leave his family in Jackson, traveling to and fro once a week.

CLIMAX.—The shaft is now between 150 and 200 feet; the ledge matter has widened to 64 feet. Drifting will begin 100 feet below the upper levels. The rock at present is of a high milling grade. A 10-stamp mill will soon take the place of the little 2-stamp mill. The company will employ between 20 and 30 men when the new mill is put into operation.

ZEILA.—The forty stamps are dropping at this mine, and the force of miners is being materially increased. Two new levels are being opened up, one at the 1450 and the other at 1550 feet. At the first named level the ore body has been reached, and cross-cutting is in progress. No ore is being sent to the mill from this point yet.

CENTRAL EUREKA.—The Central Eureka produced in January of this year 4,800 tons of ore valued at \$29,200. The ore averaged \$6 to \$8 a ton. According to official reports the main shoot has been sunk on an incline to a depth of 2,380 feet, all in ore. A ton-year's contract has been let for electrical power to run the 40-stamp mill and rock breaker, and a little later on it is expected to operate the hoist by the same power.

WILDMAN-MAHONEY.—The tunnel now being run from the Lincoln shaft to the Mahoney mine is in about 650 feet. No crosscutting to speak of has been done so far, but extensive work of this character will be done in the near future. The ore chute at the 1400 foot level in the Wildman is said to be large and of good value. Scarcity of timbers prevent more extensive work being done at present. The employees were made glad on Wednesday by receiving from 2 to 4 months back pay. Supt. Ross feels that this property is one of the best on the mother lode, and is not going to lessen his efforts to demonstrate that his belief is well-founded unless prevented by some unforeseen obstacle.

FREMONT-GOVER.—The management of this property seems to have things in better shape than ever before. A feeling of contentment and satisfaction seems to prevail everywhere. Over 100 men are employed continuously, the mill is kept running to its fullest capacity, and sulphurets of a high grade are being saved at the rate of from 4 to 5 tons per day. The free gold output is quite satisfactory. Extensive prospecting is being done in both the Gover and Fremont shafts. Large areas at the various levels in the Fremont have as yet been unexplored. At the 1200 and 1300 levels in the Gover No. 2 the outlook is very flattering. Manager Gooddall and Supt. Palmer are men of ability, and never relax their energies in looking after the best interests of their men and the property under their charge.

Death of an Aged Pioneer.

Chris Merkel, a pioneer who has lived in Murphy's gulch, about two miles south of Jackson, died on Monday morning. Deceased lived alone on his place at the mouth of Murphy's gulch. In early days he worked at mining, but for the past twenty years and over he has done nothing in this line, but managed to eke out a living by the product of a small garden patch, which he cultivated to a high degree. He was eighty years of age at the time of his death. He has no relatives in the county, and was a single man. By some he was thought to be possessed of means, but his near neighbors know nothing of this. Beyond the patch of land on which he lived, it is doubtful if he left any estate. The funeral took place on Wednesday, the remains being interred in the Jackson cemetery.

Good mines of all kinds wanted. Inquiring parties. S. C. Trayner, 4 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.

Ledge & Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$2.50.

The Ratto Muddle.

The hopelessly tangled state in which the building contracts of Antone Ratto has been left, has given birth to much discussion. The contracts were mostly verbal, and with the exception of the Odd Fellows building, did not exceed one thousand dollars in amounts involved. All told there must be from fifteen to twenty pieces of property included in contracts for new buildings or repairs undertaken by him last summer. The law is plain that where the contract price is \$1000 or over, the contract must be in writing and recorded, otherwise it is void. It would seem that Ratto left considerable unpaid on material and labor, and the parties who employed him to do the work have mostly paid him the contract price in full, but he has failed to pay his debts arising out of these contracts. A few liens have been recorded against some of the properties, and much speculation is indulged in on the proposition of trying to secure the unpaid claims on other buildings by liens. No general effort has been made in this direction. Where the terms of the contract are such that the contract is not required to be recorded, the question arises how long will the right to file a lien run. This is perplexing a number of the parties concerned, and is not easy of solution. It is reasonable to assume that there must be a reasonable limit. The owner is not supposed to know by intuition what parties furnished material or labor on the contract; the material men and laborers are required to inform him on these points and thereby place him on his guard. How long must the owner wait for such notification before settling with the party to the contract? These are matters that are being widely discussed just now. Ratto, it is understood, is in San Francisco, with a view of appealing to the insolvency law to help him out of his difficulties. And, it is reported, that such is the feeling created by lax methods of contracting, that much opposition may develop in the insolvency proceedings.

The Staples Case.

Dr. F. N. Staples was brought before the superior court Saturday morning for arraignment. The matter had been postponed at the request of the defendant, on account of his not having secured an attorney. In the meantime William G. Snyder, a young attorney living at Sutter Creek, and who is employed by the electric light company in that town, had been employed to look after the defendant's interest. He was present with the prisoner in the court room. When asked to plead, he entered a plea of not guilty. The case was thereupon set for trial April 10. It will be the first criminal case to be tried by the jury which has been summoned. There was no demurrer to the complaint interposed.

Those well acquainted with the doctor while in this county say he has lost considerable in weight since he left. He appeared nervous and anxious. He was a stout, powerfully built man when practicing in Amador county. He is not a slim man now by any means, still those who are in a position to judge say the past few months have left a perceptible impression upon his physique.

VOLCANO.

Grillo Bros. mill has started in full blast, and the old dump is going away very speedily. Mr. Lewis will attend to the brakes.

Mr. Evans informs us that his claim is doing nicely, and expects to reap a harvest.

The debris commissioner visited the mining dams, and pronounced them safe.

Constable Lessley is suffering from an attack of lumbago.

Albert Peck is visiting his uncle, P. N. Peck.

Henry Bowtzer has been sick for several weeks, but is recovering very rapidly.

The windstorm we had wrecked the telephone wires, having blown down several trees.

Johnny Giannini says business is getting better. We hope so.

Salem Bonneau is visiting his parents. It looks natural to see Salem back again.

Mrs. Hall is visiting friends in San Andreas.

Fred Griesbach and Owen Gillick are still working their mine, and they say it is showing up very well. KNOCKO.

Ledge & Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$2.50.

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The M. E. Sunday School.

A novel and effective way of creating an interest in Sunday school work, and of increasing the membership, was resorted to recently at the Methodist Episcopal church. It was arranged that the scholars should be arrayed on two sides, known as the blue and the red. The adherents of each color were to exert themselves in a friendly contest for supremacy in bringing the largest number of children and friends to attend the school on a given Sunday, the patrons of each side to appear with the distinguishing badge, a red or blue ribbon as the case might be. A month ago the contest was decided. The little ones on each side exerted themselves to the utmost, aided by their sympathizers and friends. The outcome was, there was a bigger attendance than has been known at a Sunday school in Jackson for years. Something over 200 were present. The blue badges were triumphant, scoring over 100. The penalty of defeat was understood that the losing side should furnish an entertainment and feast for the crowd on a day to be named. This festival came off at the church last Friday evening, and was a truly enjoyable affair, made all the more so by the success of the contest. Singing, recitations, and addresses were made, the company finally partaking of refreshments which were provided in profusion. The M. E. Sunday school has attained a regular membership of about 150 scholars, the largest Sunday school Jackson has ever had.

ARBOR DAY EXERCISES.

Tree Planting Under the Auspices of Ursula Parlor, N. D. G. W. Interesting Programme.

The recognition of arbor day—a day dedicated to the planting of useful and ornamental trees—was inaugurated for the first time in Jackson, by public dedicatory exercises under the auspices of Ursula Parlor, No. 1, N. D. G. W., on Thursday afternoon, March 16. The grand president of the order, Mrs. Ella Caminetti, has exerted herself to have the day fittingly observed in a practical and useful way, and the proceedings yesterday were in a great measure the fruition of her efforts. It was arranged that the grounds of the public school and the hospital lot should be the scene of the tree planting. For the first named place ornamental and shade trees, comprising redwood, cypress, cork elm, and eucalyptus were secured, and for the latter grounds fruit trees of different varieties were planted.

The afternoon was observed as a holiday by all the business houses. The procession formed at 2 o'clock at the hall. It consisted of between 30 and 40 Native Daughters, nearly 50 Native Sons, and a number of Woodmen of the World, all arrayed in the distinctive regalia of their respective orders. With banner and music they marched to the school grounds, where the literary exercises were had.

On arriving at the schoolhouse a large crowd, estimated at 500 people, were assembled to witness the ceremonies. Judge R. C. Rust made the opening address, stating the object of the gathering and urging the regular observance of the day in future. Then followed a prayer by Rev. C. E. Winnig; chorus by Ursula Parlor; address by Grand President, Mrs. Ella Caminetti; address by Chas. E. McLaughlin, superior judge of Plumas county and Grand President of N. S. G. W.; chorus by the Parlor, closing with an address by Professor Anthony, principal of the Jackson school.

Tree planting was then announced. Holes had been prepared along the south and front portion of the ground, also on each side of steps of entrance to each building. There were from 40 to 50 trees planted. A few of these were dedicated specially as follows:

1. "To pioneer mothers," by Mrs. Lena Podesta.
2. "Pioneer fathers," by Mrs. Mollie Folger.
3. "Lily O. Reichling Dyer," founder of the order, by Mrs. E. Laughton.
4. "Mrs. Tina L. Kane," first grand president of Native Daughters, by Mrs. Alice Jones.
5. These four were cypress trees, and planted on either side of the front entrance of the two buildings.
6. "To Grand President N. S. G. W.," by Mrs. Carrie Calvin.
7. "Grand President N. D. G. W.," by Wm. Schroeder.
8. "To Camp Jackson, W. O. W.," by Jas. Jay Wright.
9. "To Jackson Public School," by Ursula Parlor, N. D. G. W., Mrs. Rose Podesta.
10. "Jackson Grammar School," by Execlior Parlor, N. S. G. W., Ethel LeMoine.

This completed the exercises on the school ground. The weather had been threatening the whole afternoon, but fortunately the rain held off until these ceremonies were completed. Immediately following their completion it commenced raining in earnest, and the gathering rapidly dispersed. The ceremonies at the hospital grounds, where fruit trees were planted, were gone through briefly, and the interesting events of the day brought to a close.

Give us daily some good bread. Pioneer Flour makes the best.

Man With Drawn Pistol Takes Another Man's Money.

A short but exciting scene was enacted at the Drytown hotel at high noon on Monday last, when a stranger with the aid of an ugly looking revolver compelled one of the boarders to sit quiet while he appropriated over \$20 of the subdued man's money for his own individual use. It happened thusly. About 11 o'clock a. m. the stranger entered the barroom of the hotel, seated himself at the card table and began to play solitaire. He continued this for some time, and finally invited one of the boys, named Martin, to play for the drinks. Martin accepted and lost. He paid for the drinks manfully, and was invited by his newly-made acquaintance to engage in a game of Black Jack for \$1 ante. This invitation he also accepted, and for three successive hands lost his dollar. He was then told by his companion to "get some money on the table." "Dig up, dig up," he said, "what is a dollar," Martin stacked up \$20, and put one dollar in the pot and proceeded to shuffle the cards. As soon as the stranger looked at his hand he drew his weapon, raked in all the money in sight and accused Martin of having marked the cards, when in fact he had marked the cards himself while playing alone, in order to have an excuse to rob some victim. Just at this moment Landlord Giannini came in, noticed the drawn weapon, and commanded him to put it up and return the money to the rightful owner. The stranger instantly turned the pistol on Giannini, and commanded him to stand back. Giannini called to deputy sheriff Kay, who was in the dining room, and asked him to arrest the man at once. Kay came into the room, made himself known to the intruder and was instantly told to stand back, which advice, backed up by a drawn gun, he thought it advisable to heed. Kay asked the fellow where he was from, and he replied, "from beyond lone." At this the stranger lowered his pistol, walked outside, and Kay returned to the dining room to finish his dinner. After dinner Giannini again asked him to arrest the man, but for some reason he failed to do so. The man sauntered about the streets for a short time and started for Amador, where he remained over night. He stopped in Sutter Tuesday night, and went to Plymouth Wednesday on the morning stage.

DRYTOWN.

Deputy sheriff Kay, while admitting the main facts as stated above, says he has nothing to give out for publication at present. That he was requested to handcuff the man, but for reasons which he is not prepared to state just now, he did not do so. That he followed the man around the room and ordered him to put down his gun, which he did; that he told Giannini to let it go; that the man was merely running a bluff, and no harm had been done.

The man behind the gun is called the Swede. He is a stranger in the county, evidently a sport by occupation. He has been around Plymouth for eight or ten days.

Bad Indeed.

Losing flesh is indeed a bad sign. Take Scott's Emulsion for it. For weak digestion, for defective nourishment, for consumption, take Scott's Emulsion. It restores flesh because it strikes to the cause of the loss.

THE JACKSON SHOE STORE.

A

party from Sutter Creek called on us a few days ago and said he would like a good suit of clothes made to order. He said he had one made at Sutter Creek some time ago for \$27.50, but, he said, I see you have the same goods here, and for the price of \$20, so you can measure me for another suit, for I like the goods and as I can get such a nice suit for \$20. I'll certainly take one. The suit that I had made at Sutter was so

Shocking

tight that I had to have it changed several times, and it don't fit now. Then I went over to Amador City to trade and bought a very nice looking pair of shoes for five dollars, and they looked all right, but when I went over to Jackson one day I called at the Jackson Shoe Store and saw the same shoe for \$3.50. But the worst of it was that the shoes I bought at Amador was so tight that they were worse than

Murder

So I took back the shoes to Amador. The shop man was very nice, but he had no stock of shoes and could not change them, but would send below for a pair. I could not wait so I came over to the Jackson Shoe Store and got a better shoe for \$3.50. And what a large stock of shoes they do keep at this store. Why, you can't get a better selection of shoes

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San Francisco. And then I walked around the store, and say, what a fine stock they have got in every department. I bought a suit for my boy, a suit for my wife, some shirts at half price, some ribbons at half price, some stockings at half price and also some dress goods at half price. Why, they have got thousands and thousands of dollars worth of goods there and all reduced.

Jackson

Department Store is the place to get anything in shoes and clothing. Tailoring, Dry Goods for Ladies, etc. The Gentlemen and Ladies' Tailoring Departments are something unusual for a town the size of Jackson.

School Notes.

The Charleston school started up last Monday with Miss Rachel A. Robinson as teacher.

The spring half of the school term at Pigeon Creek commenced on March 6, with Miss Jessie B. Brown as teacher. Bridgeport school will begin the term next Monday, March 20, with Miss Della A. Votaw as teacher.

L. M. Shelly, principal of the Amador City school, was in Jackson Saturday. From here he proceeded to Iona, presumably to acquaint himself with educational matters throughout the county.

Ledge & Chicago Inter-Ocean, \$2.50.

Assessor's Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the County Assessor will be at the following places on the dates named for the purpose of receiving statements of assessment from property holders for the current year:

Oleta—Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 22, 23 and 24.

Volcano—Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, March 25, 26, 27 and 28.

Pine Grove—Wednesday and Thursday, March 29 and 30.

